



Science Undergraduate Society

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December 1, 2016 FINCOM Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 4:08 PM

Present

VP Finance	Sheila Wang
AVP Finance	Ryan Lou
Physics Representative	Arnold Choa
Astronomy Representative	Hikari Rachmat
MBIM Representative	Paul McDade
Member-at-Large	Thomas Hoang

Regrets

Integrated Sciences Representative	Caroline Sutton
Mathematics Representative	Tommi Muller
Member-at-Large	Alyssa Yong
Member-at-Large	Talia Ada Ang

Moved by Arnold, Seconded by Hikari

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Finance Committee approve the following meeting minutes:

November 3, 2016 FINCOM Meeting Minutes

November 9, 2016 FINCOM Meeting Minutes

November 17, 2016 FINCOM Meeting Minutes

November 23, 2016 FINCOM Meeting Minutes

...MOTION PASSES

Professional Development Grant(s)

Shawna Narayan

- The Canadian Undergraduate Physics Conference (CUPC) relates to her major very well and will provide her the opportunity to connect with, and learn from other students through presenting her research

- Grant application is very persuasive and she shows her passion in Physics through her research and her future goals
- She demonstrated that she has actively tried to source funding from other organizations and her expenses are reasonable.
- **Full Grant (\$300.00) approved**

Mohammed Hossein Asadi Lari

- The American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) annual meeting will help him gain connections and advance his role at STEM Fellowship by promoting scholarly writing.
- Grant application is persuasive and concise, and we could easily tell what his goals were
- He has exhausted all other funding options and the expenses are reasonable.
- **Full Grant (\$300.00) approved**

Rawel Sidhu

- Going to the Canadian Diabetes Association (CDA) and Canadian Society of Endocrinology and Metabolism (CSEM) Conference will allow him to present his research done as part of his professional development in becoming a clinical researcher.
- His goals were evident in that he is trying to research possible ways to manage diabetes
- Expenses are reasonable for the conference, but was unable to obtain any other sources of funding.
- **Full Grant (\$300.00) approved**

Club Operations Grant(s)

UNC (UBC Neuroscience Club)

Membership

3.5/5

- Over 60% of the club are Science undergraduate students
- However, not all of the club members are Science students (~70% x 5 = 3.5)

Events

9/10 for mix of events

- Although there aren't many events, there are academic, social and networking events for members and other students

0/5 for collaborations, can try again next year

- We do understand that it is a relatively new club, but we cannot give any points for this if there is no clear effort put into this

4/5 for who can attend the events

- Large events open to club members and non-members

Total: 13/20

Rationale

5/5 - Mechanics/effort

- Tense is off, but that is a very minor issue

5/5 – Formatting

- Follows our guidelines, no glaring issues that affect readability

8.5/10 - Goals

- Goals are definitely there, but they are too broad in some ways (could be due to it being a new club)

14.5/20 - How does it benefit Science Students

- Although the club is niche, it makes a good effort to consolidate those students under one club
- Is still a relatively new club so still needs some development

Total: 33/40

Budget

0/5 - Aiming for Zero Budget (10%)

- Has a small deficit without any of the SUS grants, and will have a large surplus with the Club Operations Grant
- As there are no other events in the expense section, the Finance Committee has decided to limit the amount of the Grant to \$600.00 and encourages the club to apply next year with more events or initiatives planned. This still puts the club in a surplus for any start up expenses for the next school year, but is more in line with the zero budget expectation.

7.5/10 - Detailed budgets

- Detailed with each item and the event it relates to
- Does not include the Club Operations Grant in the Revenue or Pending Grants Section, which is needed

15/20 - Expenses and Revenue

- Event expenses are reasonable
- Has sponsorships to help with their events

Total: 22.5/35

Calculated Grant Amount: $72/100 \times \$1,200.00 = \864.00 , **but limited to \$600.00 (see above "Aiming for Zero Budget")**

Meeting Adjourned at 5:03 PM